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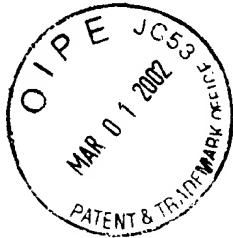
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Lunsford, Dwayne R., "A Tn4001 Delivery System for *Streptococcus Gordonii*, (Challis)" *Plasmid* 33(2):153-157 (1995).

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